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I, Robert Griswold, Vice President of Technology and Information and Chief Technologist of Crossroads Systems, Inc. (assignee of the above-referenced application) do hereby make the following declarations:

1. The present application (United States Application Number 10/658,163) is an application filed September 9, 2001 as a continuation of U.S. Application Number 10/081,110, which in turn is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/354,682, now U.S. Patent No. 6,421,753, which in turn is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/001,799, now U.S. Patent No. 5,941,972.
2. The present application includes, among others, claims to a storage router for providing virtual local storage on remote storage devices across two fibre channel transport media.
3. I have become aware that an infringing device is currently on the market.

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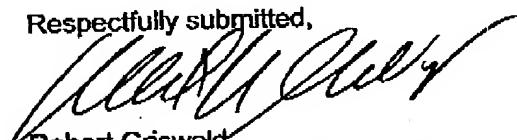
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4. I have made a rigid comparison of the infringing device with the storage router claims of the present application and it is my opinion that at least one of the claims is unquestionably infringed.

5. I have a good knowledge of the pertinent art.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Griswold
Vice President of Technology and Information
Chief Technologist
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Date: November 21, 2003.

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